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MEMORANDUM

TO: MAJOR GENERAL DONOVAN

Apropos of your memorandum of November 18, 1944 relative to the establishment of a central intelligence service, I should appreciate your calling together the chiefs of the foreign intelligence and internal security units in the various executive agencies so that a consensus of opinion can be secured.

It appears to me that all of the ten executive departments as well as the Foreign Economic Administration and the Federal Communications Commission, have a direct interest in the proposed venture. They should all be asked to contribute their suggestions to the proposed centralized intelligence service.

(sgd) FDR

F.D.R.